

Genius Hour Rubric

Genius = creating and producing. That's from the original meaning of the word.

Quality	Yes, I Have it! (5)	Where are you on the continuum between "Yes, I Have it!" (5) and "Not yet!" (1)	Not yet! (1)
Ambiguity - I'm OK with a little confusion, knowing there is more than one way to do the job.	I don't need to ask the teacher a lot of questions. I can think for myself and get the job done.	5 4 3 2 1	I have to be told exactly how to do every job. There is only one right way to do the job.
Inquisitiveness - I ask questions and want answers.	I am curious and I look up things that interest me. I'm a lifelong learner.	5 4 3 2 1	I don't ask questions just for the joy of learning, and I don't really want to learn new things.
Generating Ideas (brainstorming) - I create lots of possible ideas.	I am able to fluently create a list of ideas. I use my imagination.	5 4 3 2 1	I cannot see beyond the obvious ideas. I am easily frustrated. I may be lazy.
Originality of Ideas - I create unique ideas!	I can think outside the box and I have a great imagination. I think of ideas that others never even thought of.	5 4 3 2 1	I can only think of ideas that others thought of first. I don't like new ways of doing things. I just want to stick with the old way.
Flexibility/ Adaptability - Mentally, I can bend easily any which way and not break.	I can think of new ways to do things when I get stuck. I can recognize other people's good ideas.	5 4 3 2 1	I am not willing to change my ideas or think of better ones.
Self-Reflection - I can look honestly at myself and evaluate my work.	I can honestly go through my work and know what's right or wrong.	5 4 3 2 1	I lie about my work. I can't or won't look honestly at the things I do well and the things that need more work.

<p>Intrinsic Motivation - I want to do it. I know the purpose and it pleases me.</p>	<p>I want to try new things. I believe in myself.</p>	<p>5 4 3 2 1</p>	<p>Not willing to try new things unless I get something for it.</p>
<p>Risk Taking - I'm not afraid to try something difficult for fear of failure. As Edison said: "I have not failed...I have succeeded in proving that 1000 ways will not work."</p>	<p>I'm not afraid to try anything even if I don't do well at it. I keep trying and find a new way that might work.</p>	<p>5 4 3 2 1</p>	<p>I don't try new things for fear of failing. I try a couple times and give up altogether.</p>
<p>Expertise - I am proud and thankful to know a lot about one or more subjects. I am an expert.</p>	<p>I know I am good at one or more things, and I am not afraid to share my knowledge with other.</p>	<p>5 4 3 2 1</p>	<p>I don't try to be expert at anything. I don't want to be. Or I pretend to not know anything.</p>

Getting ready for genius hour...What question do you want to answer? What do you need to do to get ready? How can your teacher help you get ready?